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SUBJ: BLANTON PEANUT PROJECT

REF: COTONOU 1843

1. WE UNDERSTAND ROY BLANTON HAD SHORT, INCONCLUSIVE VISIT IN COTONOU MID-DECEMBER, HAMPERED BECAUSE MRGD DID NOT HAVE PEANUT PROJECT PROPOSAL IN HAND. ASSUME COPY THIS PROPOSAL, HANDCARRIED BY DIES, IS NOW UNDER MRGD REVIEW. BLANTON, JR. INFORMS US FATHER WILL PROBABLY BE IN WEST AFRICA AGAIN MID-JANUARY, AND WILL VISIT* COTONOU TO ASSESS MRGD REACTION HIS PROPOSAL.

2. WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE EMBASSY ASSESSMENT CURRENT FEELINGS TAGNON, BABA MOUSSA, AND OTHER RELEVANT MRGD OFFICIALS REGARDING BLANTON PROPOSAL, VERSUS RENEWED GERMAN INITIATIVES. WE HAD BEEN UNDER IMPRESSION GERMANS NO LONGER INTERESTED SEED OIL MILL AND QUESTION DEPTH OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO APPARENT REVERSAL. KISSINGER

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